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UNCLAS CAPE TOWN 0993

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TAGS: PINS, SF

SUBJ: CENTER OF CAPE TOWN AGAIN DISRUPTED

REF: CAPE TOWN 0991

SUMMARY::BUSINESS AND TRAFFIC WERE DISRUPTED FOR SECOND DAY  
IN CENTER OF CAPE TOWN TODAY (SEPTEMBER 3) AS POLICE LAID  
DOWN CLOUDS OF TEAR GAS AND, ACCORDING NEWS REPORTS, FIRED  
RIBBON SHOT TO DISPERSE DEMONSTRATORS. 400 REPORTED ARRESTED  
IN LAST 2 DAYS. AS OF LATE AFTERNOON, DEMONSTRATORS HAVE  
DISPERSED AND CENTER OF CITY AGAIN OPEN TO TRAFFIC. END SUMMARY.

1. CENTER OF CAPE TOWN WAS AGAIN BLOCKED TO TRAFFIC AS  
POLICE FIRED TEAR GAS TO DISPERSE STUDENT DEMONSTRATORS.  
DESPITE POLICE WARNINGS, STREETD APPEARED TO BE THROGGED  
WITH ONLOOKERS AND THERE WERE NUMEROUS REPORTS OF BYSTANDERS  
OVERCOME BY TEAR GAS. WHILE MOST SHOPS REMAINED OPEN,  
MERCHANTS COMPLAINED OF DRASTIC DECLINE IN SALES AND MANY  
AGAIN RELEASED STAFF EARLY.  
NUMBERS OF DEMONSTRATORS  
APPEARED TO BE FEWER THEN YESTERDAY. AS WAS CASE YESTERDAY,  
ACTUAL PHYSICAL DAMAGE APPARED TO BE SLIGHT BY LATER  
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AFTERNOON CENTRAL AREA WAS CLEARED AND TRAFFIC AGAIN PERMITTED

INTO ADDERLEY AND OTHER MAIN STREDYS.

2. ELSEWHERE POLICE FORCIBLY DISPERSED DEMONSTRATIONS IN  
ATHLONE, CLAREMONT, MAITO  
ND AND AT TRAFALGAR HIGH SCHOOL  
IN CAPE TOWN. ACCORUNG NEWS REPORTS, TWO ARE DEAD AND ABOUT  
400 ARRESTED DURING PAST 2 DAYS. SEVERAL POLICEMENT ARE  
REPORTED INJURED.  
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